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1. SENIOR OFFICIAL IN DEPARTMENT OF MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION TOLD LABATT PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT IS BOTH TO REGULATE INTAKE OF SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL LABORERS FROM MEXICO AND TO PROTECT THEM AGAINST ABUSE. HE SAID THERE HAS BEEN SUSTAINED ILLEGAL INFLOW INTO CANADA OF SUCH WORKERS OVER PAST YEARS AND MOT HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO OPPRESSIVE CONDITIONS SUCH AS WIDESPREAD USE OF CHILD LABOR, LOW WAGES AND PRIMITIVE HOUSING.

2. NUMBERS ALLOWED TO COME IN UNDER PROGRAM WILL DEPEND ON DEMANDS OF AARMERS. BULK OF THEM WILL BE SENT TO SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO TO ASSIST IN FRUIT, VEGETABLE AND TOBACCO HARVESTING. ALTHOUGH AGRICULTURAL WORKERS ARE NOT COVERED BY ONTARIO OR OTHER PROVINCIAL MINIMUM WAGE LAWS, A FLOOR OF \$2.00 AN HOUR (OR \$80.00 FOR 40-HOUR WEEK) HAS BEEN STIPULATED AS GUIDELINE FIGURE.

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3. CANADA HAS SIMILAR PROGRAM WITH CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES.

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